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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, JUNE 24, 1999

APPLICATION OF

ACME TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.

CASE NO. PUC980127

For certificates of public
convenience and necessity to
provide local exchange and
interexchange telecommunications
services

ORDER GRANTING REQUEST
TO WITHDRAW APPLICATION

On August 28, 1998, Acme Telephone Company, Inc. ("Acme" or "the Company") completed an application for certificates of public convenience and necessity to the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") to provide local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services in the Richmond and Norfolk Local Access and Transport Areas within the Commonwealth of Virginia. By Orders dated September 29 and October 2, 1998, the Commission set forth the procedural schedule for this case and required Acme to provide public notice of its application. On October 21, 1998, Acme filed a request to extend the date by which Commission Staff was to file its direct testimony and exhibits, the date by which Acme was to file its rebuttal testimony, and the date of the hearing in this matter. On October 26, 1998, the Commission granted the extension of the

procedural schedule but retained the November 24, 1998, hearing for the purpose of receiving public comments on Acme's application for a certificate to provide local exchange services.¹ In all other respects, the matter was continued generally.

On June 15, 1999, Acme filed a Motion to Withdraw Application ("Motion"). In its Motion, Acme states that circumstances have caused the Company to reevaluate its business and financial plans for providing the telecommunications services described in its application. Acme also states it has determined that it no longer wishes to pursue the relief requested in the application.

NOW UPON consideration of Acme's Motion, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that Acme's Motion to Withdraw Application should be granted. Accordingly,

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

(1) Acme Telephone Company, Inc.'s June 15, 1999, Motion to Withdraw Application hereby is granted.

(2) Since there is nothing further to be done in this case, this matter shall be dismissed from the Commission's docket of active proceedings and the papers filed herein placed in the Commission's file for ended causes.

¹ No members of the public appeared to offer comments at the November 24, 1998, hearing.